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And Missiles

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## **Topics**



- SMDC Missions
- Technical Center Core Functions
- Missile Defense Technology
- Directed Energy Technology
- Space Technology
- Summary

## **SMDC Missions**





Army Proponent for Space and Ground Based Missile Defense

Command and Control Army Space Forces

Space

Missile Defense

Homeland

Defense

Computer Network Ops

Commander Army Forces
Computer Network
Attack/Defense



Develop Technology, Experiment, Test, and Field Systems



Operate National Range and Test Facilities (USAKA, HELSTF)



Focused on the Future

Theater Missile

Defense

**Operational** 

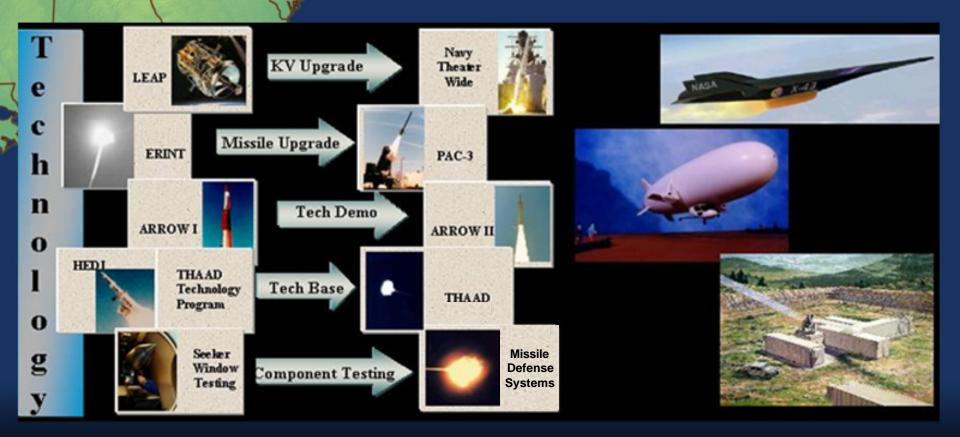
Integrator

for the Army

# Space and Missile Defense Technical Center



The Technical Center executes space and missile defense technology research, development, test, and evaluation.



## Technical Center Core Functions



- Advanced Research . . . Small Business Innovative Research, University Collaboration, and DARPA Programs
- Technology Development . . . basic research, instrumentation, and space technology
- Directed Energy . . . solid state, high energy, and tactical lasers
- Kinetic Energy . . . atmospheric, high-endo, exo-, discriminating, and Ground-Based Midcourse Defense lethality
- Sensor Technology . . . active and passive sensors
- Experiments . . . critical measurements programs and technology demonstrations
- Test Platforms . . . airborne test measurements platforms
- Information Superiority . . . wide band infrastructure, Missile Defense Analysis Capability
- Systems Engineering . . . Joint missile defense concepts analysis & review
- Data Analysis Exploitation . . . weapon algorithms, kill assessment, & realtime discrimination

## Innovative Technology Development



NTERCEPTO

One Color Seeker

Two Color Seeker

Two Color Seeker Plus LADAR

**Energetic Warheads** 

Miniature Kill Vehicles

Single Re-entry Vehicles Multiple Re-entry Vehicles Decoys

Electronic Countermeasures

Lasers

Chemical

Solid State

Multiple Re-entry
Vehicles PENAIDS

**THREAT** 

Increased Range

Counter Electronic Countermeasures

Resolve Multiple Targets

Improved Discrimination

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Innovative Technology Required to Defeat Future Threats

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## High Endo Interceptor Technologies and Programs



### Atmospheric Interceptor Technology (AIT)

#### Advanced Thermal/ Nosetip Protection

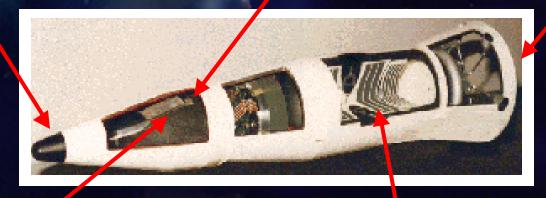
- Lower Altitude Operation
- Higher Interceptor Velocities

### Strapdown Seeker

- Hit-to-Kill with Aimpoint Selection
- Active Mirror Stabilization

### Integrated Lightweight Vehicle

Rapid Response for Hit-to-Kill



### Cooled Infrared (IR) Windows

- Lower Altitude Operation
- Higher Interceptor Velocities

## Lightweight Solid Divert & Attitude Control System (DACS)

- Fast Response for Hit-to-Kill
- Bi-Level Attitude Control System for Aimpoint Insensitive Munitions

AIT'S Technology Base is Applicable to All Missile Defense Interceptors

## Exo-Interceptor Technologies and Programs

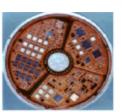


### **Technology Objectives**

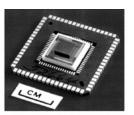
Proof-of-principle, Fire-and-forget,
 Smart Interceptor for
 Exo-atmospheric Missions

### **Programs**

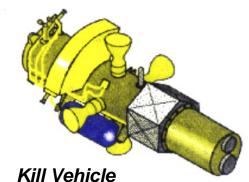
- Develop and Integrate Technologies into a Demonstration Program for Next Generation Interceptor
  - \* Multi-Function Sensor Modules
  - \* Rad-Hardened Advanced Electronics
  - \* High Performance Boosters
  - \* Cooled Optics for Long-Range Seekers
  - \* Advanced Data Fusion Algorithms
  - \* High-G Solid Divert Propulsion
  - \* Next Generation Beyond GMD (GBI)



Advanced Electronics



Two Color FPA





Lightweight Optics



**IMU** 



**Propulsion** 

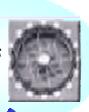


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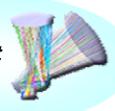
## Miniature Kill Vehicles Enabling Technologies



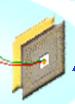
Micro-Electro
Mechanical Systems
Inertial Sensors



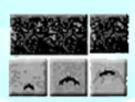
Compact, Lightweight Optics

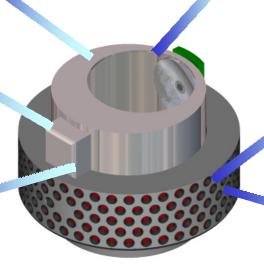


Electro hydrodynamic Cooling



Focal Plane Algorithms





Miniaturized Propulsion





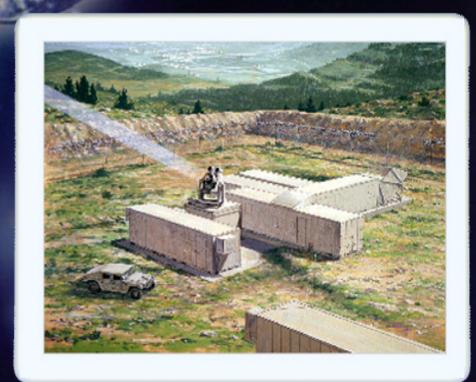
Energetic Materials

Kill Everything

## Directed Energy Technology



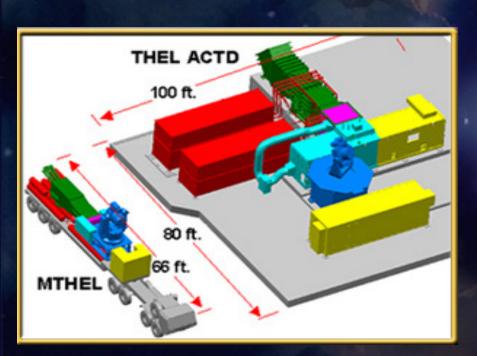
- Directed Energy Weapon Systems
- Solid State Laser
- Tactical High Energy Laser (THEL)
- Directed Energy Master Plan
- High Energy Laser System Test Facility (HELSTF)



Advanced Technologies

## Mobile Tactical High Energy Laser





First TRW MTHEL Concept Design

### **MTHEL Goals**

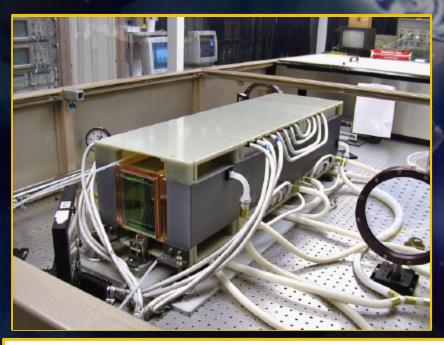
- Package a high energy deuterium fluoride chemical laser on a mobile platform to meet US Army and Israeli air and missile defense needs
- Incorporate reliability, maintainability, and performance flexibility into the design



**Objective Concept** 

### Solid State Laser Technology





- Leverages cooperative development with DoD/DoE Labs and Industry
- Potential to be the first HEL technology compact enough to fit within FCS size and weight constraints

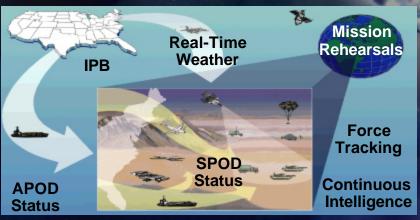
### 10 k W Breadboard (3 Modules)

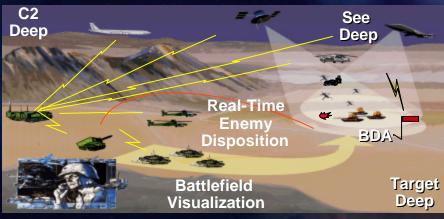
- Pulse Repetition Frequency = 20Hz
- Beam Quality = 3 x Diffraction Limited
- Energy = 500 J/pulse

### Space: Critical to Meet Challenges & Protect Assets/Forces



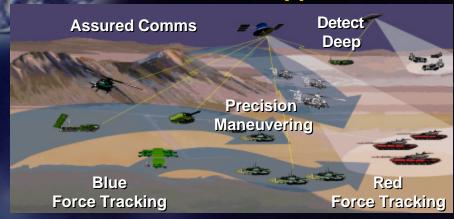
### **Force Projection**

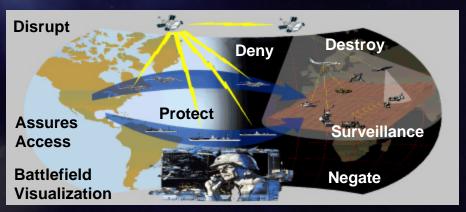




### Force Enhancement

### Force Application





Space Control

Space Control Protects and Enhances Survivability and Preserves our Fire Support

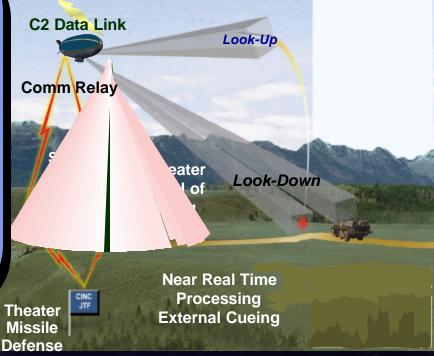
### Objective High Altitude Airship Mission



### **Homeland Defense**



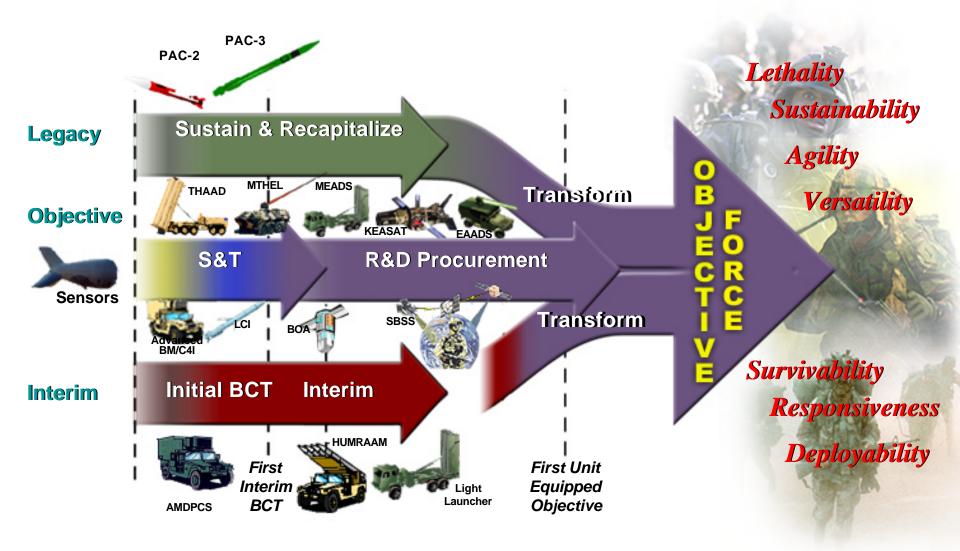
### **Theater Operations**



"A Multi-Purpose Platform for the Transformation Force"

## **Objective Force**





## Summary



- Successful Legacy in Support of Missile Defense
- Provide Leading Edge Technology to Meet National and Warfighter Space and Missile Defense Requirements
- Provide Leap Ahead Technology to Support Army Space Missions
- Provide Technology to Support the Army Transformation to the Objective Force

SMDC is Developing Enabling Technologies for the Future Warfighter!

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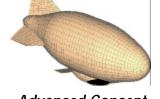
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## What we do for the Army . . .



Directed Energy

Future Warfighter



Advanced Concept Technical Demos



Basic Science and Technology Research



Transitioning
Enabling
Technology
to the
Objective
Force



Space Control

Research Processes and Mission Areas

## What we do for the Missile Defense Agency . . .



